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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT

- 2 relating to the searchable state expenditure database maintained by
- 3 the comptroller.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 403.024(c), Government Code, is amended
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (c) To the extent possible, the comptroller shall present
- 8 information in the database established under this section in a
- 9 manner that is searchable and intuitive to users. The comptroller
- 10 shall enhance and organize the presentation of the information
- 11 through the use of graphical representations, such as pie charts,
- 12 as the comptroller considers appropriate. At a minimum, the
- 13 database must allow users to:
- 14 (1) search and aggregate state funding by any element
- 15 of the information;
- 16 (2) ascertain through a single search the total amount
- 17 of state funding awarded to a person by a state agency; [and]
- 18 (3) download information yielded by a search of the
- 19 database; and
- 20 (4) for a state expenditure in the form of a grant,
- 21 ascertain the specific purposes for which the grant money was used.
- 22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.